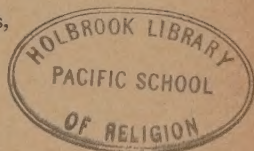




C. A. Seward

"A haze on the far horizon,
The infinite, tender sky,
The ripe, rich tint of the cornfields,
And the wild geese sailing high;
And all over upland and lowland
The charm of the golden-rod, —
Some of us call it Autumn,
And others call it God."

—William H. Carruth



CONGREGATIONAL KANSAS

SEPTEMBER 1953

Twenty-sixth Annual Mid-West Regional Meeting

Kansas Congregationalists are indeed fortunate to have this important meeting in Wichita this year. Dr. Upton and his Plymouth Church people are hosts. The dates are October 20, 21 and 22 with some preliminary sessions held on October 19. The meeting also marks the 144th Annual Meeting of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.

Outstanding leaders include: Ronald Bridges, Executive Director, Broadcasting and Films; National Council of Churches; the Rev. Stuart L. Anderson, Vice President, American Board; Dr. Ione Catton, Program Secretary for Missionary Education; the Rev. Joseph H. Evans, Church of the Good Shepherd, Chicago; Mrs. Judson Fiebigler, the Rev. Douglas Horton, the Rev. Fred Hoskins, the Rev. Frederick Meek, Dr. Ruth Isabel Seabury, Mrs. R. Wilbur Simmons and others.

Dr. Joseph H. Stein is Chairman of the American Board Program Committee; Dr. L. M. Rymph is Chairman and Mrs. Floyd Q. Davidson, Vice Chairman of the Mid-West Regional Executive and Program Committee. Mrs. Variel E. Brown is chairman and Mrs. W. J. Rudrauff and Mrs. H. D. Ayres, Co-Chairmen of the local arrangements. Reservations for meals and housing should be sent to Mrs. A. L. Boundy, 246 N. Dellrose, Wichita by October 5.

State Planning Sessions

On September 14 at Topeka First Church, the Conference Board of Trustees and major conference committees will hold their annual planning sessions. Meeting at 9:30 in the morn-

ing will be the Stewardship Committee with Daniel R. Hopkins, Chairman; the Christian Education Committee with the Rev. Malcolm White presiding; the Conference Centennial Committee under the leadership of Dr. Walter Upton; the Social Action Committee with the Rev. A. H. Bartter presiding and the Evangelism Committee guided by the Rev. Hans Poppe.

Lunch will be served at noon by Mrs. Joe Stevens' group at First Church. Mr. Gordon Jones, Moderator will preside over the meeting of the Board of Trustees in the afternoon.

Meeting in the evening at 7:30 will be the State and Association Committees of the Church Loan Fund with Mr. E. C. Wedell of Great Bend.

La Foret Meeting

State Conference Committees and Superintendents of the eleven states in Area V met on September 8 and 9 at La Foret to make plans for the Loan Fund Campaign. Dr. Albert D. Stauffacher, National Chairman and Mr. Wm. J. Manspeaker, Area Director, were in charge. Attending from Kansas, were Mr. E. C. Wedell, Mrs. John W. Gibson, the Rev. Ray Carlton Jones, Supt. and Mrs. L. M. Rymph.

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William F. Keeney to Manhattan

Welcome to Kansas

From California

As announced in the June issue, William F. Keeney arrived in Manhattan from Auburn, California, the middle of July. The Keeney's have four little girls, Janet, 8 years, Elizabeth, 7 years, Marian, 5 years and Carol, one year. They are nicely settled in the parsonage and ready for the fall program. Mr. Keeney gets an early initiation into the larger fellowship as host pastor for Eastern Association meeting on October 8.

Schlarb's to Downs

The Rev. John B. Schlarb, former minister of the Congregational Church at Ocheyedan, Iowa, was given a unanimous call to the Downs Church and began work September first. He is a graduate of Marietta College and took work at C.T.S., 1934-37. He was ordained in South Dakota where

he served pastorates for ten years. His wife is a graduate of Schauffler College at Cleveland, Ohio, and served as Secretary and Director of Christian Education in the South Dakota Conference. The Schlarb's have one child, Richard, born in May, 1949.

From New York

The Rev. Kenneth Arnold Holmes, a minister of the Community Church at Windom, N.Y., a suburban town near Buffalo, has accepted a unanimous call to serve the Ruby Avenue Church in Kansas City. He is a graduate of Bob Jones University and studied at the Baptist Seminary in Kansas City 1942-1945. He is 36 years of age and has a wife and two sons, Terry, six years and Timothy, 2 years. He comes to us with recommendations from the Western New York Community Churches and the Assistant Superintendent of our New York Conference. The Windom



Kenneth Arnold Holmes



Donald C. Coldsmith

Church increased in membership from 205 to 462 during his six year pastorate there. He proposes an all-round service program that will match the needs of the Argentine section. He begins his pastorate, October first.

To Tonganoxie

Mr. Donald C. Coldsmith, a graduate of Baker University with 18 hours graduate work at Springfield College and George Williams College, gave up his work as Director of Youth Work at the Y.M.C.A. in Topeka to take graduate work at K.U., and serve the church at Tonganoxie as a lay minister. Mr. Coldsmith with his wife and baby daughter, Carol Jean, moved to Tonganoxie parsonage September first where he has been serving on Sundays since early May. Mrs. Coldsmith is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. George Edward Brown of Eureka. Mr. Coldsmith's father is a Methodist District

Superintendent living at Independence. Mr. Coldsmith served the Methodist Churches at Effingham, Lancaster, and Monrovia in the years 1948 and 1949.

Student Serving Stanley

Mr. Franklin L. Jost, a student at Central Baptist Seminary in Kansas City, accepted a call in mid July to serve the Stanley Community Church. He lives in Stanley and will serve week-ends and three evenings a week. Mr. Jost is about 30 years of age; he grew up in a Mennonite community near Hillsboro, Kansas. His church membership and ministerial standing is with the Mennonites, but he will adhere to the Congregational policy of the Stanley Church while serving them.

Lawrence Calls Assistant

William Bryant has been called to First Plymouth, Lawrence, to serve as an assistant minister to the Rev. Dale E. Turner. His primary responsibilities will be Sunday School and Youth work. His record at Andover Newton, where he graduated this spring, was outstanding. During his student days he was assistant minister at the Evangelical-Congregational Church in Westborough, New York. Here he led the church in a remarkable program with steady growth.

To Carbondale

Mr. Donald Meek, a senior at Washburn, who lives at 2240 Ohio, in Topeka, has accepted a call to the Carbondale Community Church where he began serving August 15th. He is a member of the Central Congregational Church of Topeka and plans to attend one of our seminaries on completion of his university studies. He served a church for the Methodists near Ottawa during his first three years at Washburn.

To Council Grove

The Rev. Wilfred S. Stevenson, Jr., pastor of the Campbell-Tintah parish in Minnesota began work at Council Grove in July. He is a graduate of Wesleyan University and Hartford Theological Seminary. He has a wife and one 12 year old son at home and two married daughters. Many of our pastors have recommended him, having observed his work in Iowa, Colorado, and Minnesota. His work is getting off to a promising start at Council Grove.

To Dover

The Rev. Elmer Kirkpatrick, pastor of the Ingalls Federated Church, has accepted a call to the Dover Federated Church and moved to Dover September first to begin his work. The Ingalls Church is near Garden City. His ministerial status is with the Northern Baptists.

Serving Olive Hill

Miss Irene Reiber and Miss Edla Hedlund having been serving our Olive Hill Church near Superior, Nebraska since February. They conducted a Vacation Bible School the first two weeks in June with an enrollment of 69 children. Mrs. Justina who lives with her husband and family on a farm near the church recently presented an interesting program. The Justina's came to America under the Displaced Persons program.

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"Goodbye and God Speed"

Dr. W. H. Mikesell resigned at Carbondale Community Church to take a teaching position in Psychology at the Mississippi State College for Women at Columbus. During the time he was head of the Psychology Department at Washburn University he served Carbondale where he brought a strong pulpit ministry to the church.

The Rev. Ray Kelley supplied the Onaga Church during his year of special clinical work at Menninger's. During the time of his week-end work at Onaga, the average attendance at church services increased from 35 to 100. Kansans will be wishing him well in his new work at St. Paul, Minnesota.

The Rev. Heinz Schwarz has been called from the Blue Mound - Mound City yoked field to New Richland, Minnesota. Mr. Schwarz served the Onaga parish before going to Blue Mount some two years ago. Mrs. Schwarz represented our conference in several Daily Vacation Bible School clinics while in the state. The family also includes Mrs. Schwarz' parents. We are glad that they have a spacious parsonage in Minnesota which will be more adequate for the two families and we wish them well in their new home.

The Rev. A. J. Goodson, who has been minister at Almena since November 1950, has been called to the pastorate of the Congregational Church in Arcadia, Nebraska, where he begins his pastorate September 15. At Almena Mr. Goodson won the respect not only of his congregation, but was able to effect better cooperation between the churches in that city.

The Rev. Edward L. Baker, minister at Ruby Avenue since 1948, has resigned after completing a remarkable pastorate, high-lighted with the construction and dedication of a new building. We regret that we can not give his address, but he hopes to locate near his daughter in Des Moines, Iowa and do supply work in churches nearby. Mr. Baker will be missed greatly in our Kansas fellowship and will be long remembered for his sacrificial devotion to the people of Argentine Section of Kansas City during their flood debacle of 1951.

The Rev. Albert A. Van Sickle, a Baptist minister, has served the Methodist, Baptist, Congregational Federation at Dover for six years greatly increasing its membership and program strength. He has been called to the Burlingame Federated Church where we anticipate another fine demonstration of inter-denominational cooperation.

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Ground-Breaking At Seabrook

On Sunday morning, July 12 at nine o'clock, some three hundred people gathered on the new Seabrook Church site at Burnett and 19th Streets, five blocks west of the old church, to break ground for the new structure which will be constructed soon. Every one seemed thrilled with the program as arranged by the pastor. A visitor from Central Church remarked, "I never witnessed a service of this kind where all departments of the church life, including the youngest child, participated." It was thrilling to see the youngsters of the Sunday school with their little spades happily sharing in the event.

L. D. Williams, Charles Wilson, Cleo Fisher and Warren Corman the Architect, had carefully marked out-lines of the new building so that all



Seabrook Ground-Breaking

could feel the significance of the contemplated move to a building of larger and more adequate dimensions. Alton Haun, Sunday School Superintendent, had carefully grouped the different departments near their part of the proposed structure. The State Superintendent shared with the pastor, the Rev. Elmer E. Erickson, in conducting the ground breaking ceremonial. Charles Wilson will supervise the construction of the new building. The membership of Seabrook includes many skilled workmen who plan to give many hours of volunteer labor toward completion of the structure.

Improvements At Council Grove

The Women's Fellowship and Church Board sponsored a dual project which enlisted the efforts of the entire membership. It started with a complete renovation of the church kitchen; new stoves, sink, flooring, aluminum work tables and 24 steel chairs. The workers also repaired and redecorated the parsonage. Woodwork and walls were beautifully refinished; modern light fixtures were installed and new hardwood floors were laid. Work was done by laymen and women while the church was without a minister. A vast amount of professional leadership was donated by Mr. and Mrs. John Downs.



George Nau Burridge
Association Guest Leader

Fall Associations

The Rev. J. D. Schmidt, Moderator, will preside at Southern Association meeting to be held at Newton on Oct. 8 with the Rev. O. T. Meador, Host Pastor. Mrs. Robert Nellis of Udall is Assistant Moderator and the Rev. Floyd Q. Davidson is Registrar. Eastern will meet at Manhattan on October 8 with the Rev. Wm. F. Keeney as Host Pastor. Attorney Ralph Glenn of Topeka Central is Moderator and Mrs. G. E. E. Lindquist of Lawrence is Assistant. The Rev. Elmer E. Erickson is Registrar. Mr. Ralph Sick of Russell will preside over the Western Meeting at Stockton on October 11 and 12. The Host Pastor is the Rev. Samuel LePage and the Rev. James McKeeman is Registrar.

Christian Education Expert

George Nau Burridge, Green Bay, Wisconsin, is an energetic and versa-

tile Christian layman. He is a merchant by occupation, a sailing enthusiast, and a Sunday School Superintendent. Because of his unique methods in administration of the church school, Mr. Burridge has been much in demand the past several years as a workshop leader and writer of articles on how he does it. He gave leadership at La Foret Leadership Workshop two years ago and comes to us this fall upon request of those who heard him there. In addition to the message he has to bring, he has practical help based upon his actual experience. He says: "It can readily be seen that I am committed to Pilgrim Series, but my enthusiasm is based on experience. Frankly, it would have been impossible for me as a businessman effectively to do my job as superintendent without the help of Pilgrim Series."

First Hand Mission News

Returning from five months overseas where she visited American Board Mission stations in seven countries, Mrs. John W. Gibson will have a rare message for us. She was also a delegate of the American Board Prudential Committee to the International Congregational Council held in St. Andrews, Scotland in June. Having been president of the Kansas Women's Department for four years, and Moderator of the Conference as well as chairman of the Wichita Church Extension Committee which organized the new Pilgrim Church in southeast Wichita, Mrs. Gibson and her zeal for the work of the church, are well known in our Kansas fellowship.

A Native Son

Albert Faurot of Smith Center, Kansas, who was commissioned at the Berkeley General Council in 1940, will be a guest at Eastern and Western. For-

mer commitments in Wisconsin make it impossible for him to make Southern. Mr. Faurot, an outstanding musician, worked in China until the Communist regime forced him to leave. He spent almost a year in Japan before returning to the States the first of July. Following speaking engagements and a lecture-recital tour this fall, he plans to continue his missionary ministry of music at Silliman University in the Philippines. His part on the association program will include piano music, a narrative of his adventures teaching music in the Far East and some Oriental music in costume. Mr. Faurot was with our young people at Camp Wa-Shun-Ga in 1947 and we have since had two of his Chinese pupils at the camp. We welcome him back to Kansas.

Other Features

Our own Moderator, Mr. Gordon Jones, will bring a message at each meeting. Projects for the year will be presented by the following committees: Church Loan Fund, Centennial Celebration, Stewardship, Christian Education, Social Action and Evangelism. Miss Bloomer will have a book display with many interesting volumes for sale. Local church programs will be strengthened for the year ahead.

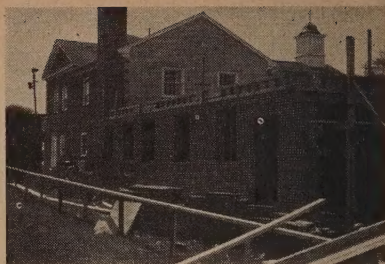
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Partridge PFers Plan Ahead

On August 30 Partridge Pilgrims met from 2:00 P.M. to 10 P.M. for evaluation, discussion and planning PF activities for the next few months. Aunt Polly Bloomer met with them as resource leader. Summer activities included a trip to a Naval Air Station and a watermelon feast.

Another Boy

Born to the Rev. and Mrs. Dale Turner of Lawrence on July 20, William Drew. Welcomed by older brothers Gregg, Chuck and Bob.



Colonial Church — New Unit

Progress At Prairie Village

With construction at the stage shown in the picture, work was halted for eleven weeks due to the builders' strike in Kansas City. However, work was resumed on July 21st and rapid progress indicates that the new unit will be ready for occupancy by the last of September.

The addition is a two story structure 50 by 50 feet, costing \$20,000.00. The ground floor level will include a storage room and large departmental Sunday School room. On the first floor provision will be made for a kitchenette, toilet and large parlor.

Even with two services, conditions at Colonial Church have been congested and very difficult for the past year. The Rev. C. Fosberg Hughes reports that completion of this unit will help a great deal.

Faces Handicap With Courage

Kansas friends were shocked to learn that the Rev. Vernon Benson of Anthony was forced to have his second eye removed in mid July. He faced his last day of light with remarkable courage accepting the inevitable. August was spent learning Braille, visiting and resting in Minnesota. Undergirded by the sympathetic understanding of the Anthony Church he plans to continue his ministry with the help of his wife and son.

Kansas Women's Department

Mrs. E. C. Garrison, President

In Memory

As evidence of the love and respect of those who knew them, the following names have been added to the Women's Department Memorial Roll of Honor.

Mrs. W. H. Lambert

Mrs. Lucy Fuqua

Mrs. J. W. Bingham

Mrs. Blanche Smith

Miss Lucile Neiman

Mrs. Illa Chisum

Mrs. J. A. Hindman

Mrs. Viola Neiman

Mrs. Eva Davis

By Whitewater Federated Church

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Woman's Gift — Thank Offering

It is time to make plans for your Fall ingathering, whether you use the boxes or the envelopes. Both are available at the Conference Office, 923 Kansas Avenue, Topeka. The boxes are 1 cent each; the envelopes are free. The goal is to have every church woman share in the Woman's Gift with a dedication on self, service and substance. The Kansas goal in figures is \$4000.00 to be raised before April 15, with one-third going to work around the world, one-third to work across the nation, and one-third to work within the state.

Dedicate Your Gift!

Mrs. Elizabeth James,
Secretary

Report From Lake Forest

The World Missions Institute met at Lake Forest, Illinois, July 27-31. Outstanding leaders from a number of denominations were present. Missionaries from all parts of the world were present, including the Rev. F. Olin Stockwell, the most recently returned missionary from Red China. The purpose of the meeting was to interpret the theme "The Life and Task of the Church Around the World" and the great missionary crisis in terms of today's needs. It was stated that "We have now come to the moment in the history of the church and of the world when it is not enough that the church should have missions, the whole church must itself become missionary." In addition to study and fellowship, opportunity was given to become acquainted with the resource materials for 1953-54 (see listing below.)

Life and Task of Church

"That the World May Know", Ransom
"Where There is Life", Sayre
"Where'er the Sun", Moffett
"Report from Christian Europe",
Herman
"The Christian Mission", Warren
"New Hearts - New Faces", Ross
"Forward through the Ages", Mathews
Spanish Speaking Americans in U. S.
"Within These Borders," Scotford
"Who?" Ashworth.

The Kansas Conference was represented by Mrs. Earl Herrick, State Literature Chairman, 710 Lee, Manhattan and Pauline Bloomer. They are both well acquainted with the above resources and have copies available for loan upon your request with payment of postage both ways.

Kansas Pilgrim Fellowship

Roger Brown, President

Mike Walker, Secretary



First Row L-R — "Uncle Elmer" Erickson, "Aunt Ruth" Rymph, Roger Brown, Mike Walker, "Uncle George" Fisk
Second Row L-R — Joan Seibel, Maureen Taylor, Gary Dilley, Karen Smith, Sally Irving, Bobby Jackson
Third Row L-R — Ivan Yount, Myrle Barton, Norman Dirks, Danny Hahn, "Uncle Harald" Wisegarver
Fourth Row L-R — "Uncle Ray" Jones, "Uncle Louie" Poppe, "Aunt Polly" Bloomer

Annual P.F. Planning Conference

All newly elected officers were present June 21-22 for this annual conference at the State Parsonage in Topeka. Recommendations and plans were made for carrying out the 1953-54 program. This included Workday for Christ, Senior State Rally which will be at Wichita Fairmount November 6-7. New Program materials and other resources were presented. Plans were made for Junior High Rallies which will be: EASTERN — Sabetha, November 1; SOUTHERN — Emporia, September 25-26; WESTERN — Great Bend, September 27 and Smith Center October 4. Association Secretaries will be responsible for news in Congregational Kansas. The meetings concluded with lunch at First Congregational Church and communion service before departures for home.

Scholarship Awarded

Dave Cutting, Lenora, the recipient of the Kansas Conference Doane College Scholarship Award writes: "I would like to thank all the Kansas Pilgrim Fellowship members for giving me the Doane Scholarship. I'll try my hardest to be worthy of it." Dave has just returned home after youth caravanning at Caroline Mission in St. Louis, Mo. Dave said it was a great experience and every PPer should have such an opportunity.

Camp Wa-Shun-Ga Projects

Kansas campers were enthusiastic supporters of educational projects this year. Both groups went well beyond the goals set. The Seniors contributed \$420.00 to the Korab Memorial Fund which will be used for the rehabilitation of the Doane College Chapel. Junior Highs gave a total of \$390.00. Of this amount Miss Shige Kagawa, a guest leader this year, received \$150.00. She is majoring in Religious Education at Hartford Seminary Foundation and plans to return to Japan next year. \$240.00 was sent to Jonan's Boy's School (see picture), Matsuyama, Japan. This amount of money will make it possible for two or three boys to continue their study at the school.



Jonan Boy's School
Matsuyama, Japan

Youth Work Institute

A special Youth Work Institute is being sponsored by the Youth Department of the National Council of Churches October 22-23 in Salina. The purpose of the meeting is to help key youth leaders to consider creative approaches to youth work; renew new resources for program building; interdenominational cooperation; cooperative strategy for youth work. Please write Conference for further information.

Workday For Christ

October 24 is the national date set for this year. Seek the cooperation of your minister. Get announcements into church bulletins, local papers, and radio if possible. Get a job lined up if you do not have one. People need windows and cars washed, leaves raked, silver polished, cookies and cakes baked, painting and numerous other things done. Proceeds will go to Our Christian World Mission. Gifts given through Workday for Christ stop at no national boundaries and help wherever there is need. Don Wilbur, Manhattan, is state chairman this year. Details and information will be reaching you soon.

New PF Organized

Smith Center young people have elected Barbara Chance, president; Shirley Phetteplace, vice-president; Gerald Gibson, secretary; and Jerry Wurster, treasurer. Uncle Harald Wisegarver is their minister and sponsor. Best wishes for success.

Pilgrims Help With Building

Wichita Pilgrim PPer's have been busy helping with some of the new church building program. This is one of our newest groups. They held a Program Planning Retreat this month.

Christian Education

Pauline Bloomer, Director

"For All Children Faith In God"

This is the theme for Christian Education Week September 27 - October 4. Every church should consider seriously its task in view of the following questions? "Are we concerned about the millions of children who are growing up in America without the benefit of religious instruction of any kind? Statistics tell us that approximately four million babies are born every year. What about the children living in the very shadow of our church buildings? Do class and race prejudices still contradict our Christian perfection? Are we ready to summon new leadership, revise programs, and adjust our facilities to meet the task? Are the churches willing to work together to reach every child?"

What Can Be Done In Your Church

Sometime during the week have a congregational meeting or a workers' conference to consider work with children and to consider your own growth as leaders and parents. Plan to use the film "FOR EVERY CHILD".

A visitation program to every church school member or prospective pupil. Reach the unchurched.

Interdenominational participation in the community observances.

"For Every Child"

A 16mm sound motion picture
Rental: Black & White \$8.00
NOTE: This film is available from the Conference until January 1. It is especially designed for use during Christian Education Week. Write for booking. See description.

Use Rally Day to launch the program.

Detailed suggestions are given in the Christian Education Week Handbook from the National Council of Churches, 79 E. Adams St., Chicago.

See September issue of Children's Religion for Rally Day suggestions.

The Parents' Class

This is an entirely new series of lessons concerned with family life and tailored to parental needs. There are 16 additional pages in the Fall PROGRAM MANUAL which carries this material. The author of this guidance series is Jean Beaven Abernathy, author, editor, minister's wife, and the mother of three children. She writes out of a rich and varied experience. During the fall and winter quarters "The Parents' Class" will consider "Our Church," theme: What can the church do for our children? What must we as parents do? How about starting such a group during Christian Education Week if you do not have one?

Student Summer Service

Mr. Robert B. Simpson served as pastor's assistant in Wichita Pilgrim Church for six weeks under the SSS program. His work included surveying, vacation church school, sponsoring youth fellowship activities, and pastoral responsibilities of the church during the minister's absence. Offerings from Children's Day services help support this most important on-the-job training service.

Superintendents Take Note

Mr. George Nau BurrIDGE (see Association program) outstanding layman and enthusiastic church school superintendent will give leadership at your Association meeting. He will be avail-

able for personal counselling in addition to lecture and discussion periods.

Pictures Tell Story

During the summer months the Russell Church bulletin board carried a display of 24 photographs which illustrated the church school at work. The pictures carried captions meaningful to the viewer. A variety of tones and sizes of pictures made added eye appeal. There were pictures all the way from preparation for Sunday School through arrival, the ringing of the bell, the classes at work and in recreational activities and work projects; at worship, the administrative work, the service project for the quarter, and finally the departure. Russ Townsley was the photographer.

Fall Resources Available

The Mission Study books (children through adults) for the 1953-54 program are available for loan upon request from the Conference Office.

And Now I See is a 16 mm black and white sound movie, 37 minutes now free to Congregational Churches. The Conference Office has two copies. It tells the story of George Miller's growth in his stewardship concepts as he became aware of the larger service his church rendered.

Our Newest Neighbors is a black and white filmstrip for use with the Home Mission study theme on Spanish Sepaking Americans. It is excellent to start discussions in forums, Womens' groups and adult Bible classes.

Sunday Around The World is a color filmstrip showing lively youngsters of many lands as they sing, learn, pray, give, and help — both in their churches and at home. Mimeographed script with 40 frames.

Your Church and the World Task

This is the theme of a six-session study course by Miss Ione Catton, Program Secretary in Missionary Education for Congregational-Christian Churches. It is planned for use in a study group meeting once each week for six consecutive weeks. However, if churches prefer, it may be used in a School of Missions, institute or for a series of church night or women's programs. The sessions are: My Church the World Church Here; At Work In the Homeland; Citizenship In Nation and World; Beyond Our Own Borders; The Christian Mission of Relief and Reconstruction; Our Congregational-Christian Fellowship. You may secure a mimeographed copy of this course and a 25 cent packet of background materials from The Missions Council, 19 S. LaSalle Street, Chicago, Ill.

A Must for Every Church

The movie "For Every Child" is available for use from the Conference Office at an \$8.00 rental. This film helps to create understanding of what the modern program of Christian Education attempts to undertake. It has many possible uses and can be shown to youth, family, laymen, laywomen or combined groups. Be sure to include this important film especially designed for Christian Education Week sometime this fall in your church. Available until January 1954.

"The Hidden Heart"

A 16mm Sound Motion Picture. NO CHARGE. This is another free feature film for use in your church with special emphasis on stewardship. It is a film for everyone. It illustrates great insight — that where your heart is — there will be your treasure also. Two copies available. Write for bookings from Conference.

Wichita Pilgrim

The Zoppel family moved into their new parsonage on return from their vacation August first. After living for more than two years in the church home, they are enjoying the peace and privacy of separate living quarters.

Work on the new church sanctuary is progressing rapidly with hopes of occupancy early in November.

In June members of the church received talents of \$1.00, \$5.00 and \$10.00. They have put their talents to work in various ways to raise money for furnishings in the new church. Talents as advertised in the church bulletin have included sale of wood fiber flower plants, fresh eggs, chiffon cakes, Christmas cards, doughnuts and old copies of magazines. Services offered have included grass cutting, baby sitting, typing, giving home permanents, aluminum painting trash barrels and clothes line poles, delivery service to shopping centers, and swimming lessons. Putting talents to work for the church is expected to develop a good habit as well as yield a sizeable fund for a good cause.

Guests at Wakefield

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bidleman of Kinsley visited Wakefield early this summer. Mr. Bidleman, President of Kansas Laymen's fellowship brought the morning message and spoke at the dinner. Mrs. Bidleman spoke to the women also at the noon hour. Wakefield reports a fine vacation Church School under the leadership of Miss Frances Normandin.

Twenty-Five Years at Seaman

On the evening of May 27, the Seaman Church folk, after much secret planning surprised their pastor, the Rev. W. E. Dull and Mrs. Dull, on the completion of their 25 years of service.

The Guild women planned the celebration which included a basket dinner and program. Moving pictures of the church activities thru the years were shown. Supt. and Mrs. Merle Rymph were guests and Dr. Rymph gave a fine resume of Mr. Dull's accomplishments since he entered the ministry. Members, friends and neighbors showed their appreciation for the years of the Dull's ministry with gifts of money totalling about \$300.00. Mr. Dull's response to this gesture was: "We shall never forget this celebration and can not thank everyone enough. These 25 years with you have demonstrated the love and loyalty of a people who believed the scripture: "And so the wall was built, for they had a mind to work."

Clothes for Refugees

Russell Church School, under the leadership of Mrs. Ralph Ewing, Missionary Chairman, carries out a special project each quarter. During June and August a total of 885 pounds of food clothing was shipped to Church World Service. In addition the missionary offerings are being pooled to pay an equivalent of 8 cents per pound for processing and shipping the 885 pounds. Mrs. Ewing says the whole church has cooperated. Many souls and bodies will be warmer this winter because of this summertime thoughtfulness.

Busy Summer at Welborn

A good old fashioned Sunday School picnic with fried chicken, ice cream, horse shoe pitching and baseball was attended by 200 people in mid July. More than 300 attended the P.F. ice cream social in late June. Many outdoor fellowship events made the summer enjoyable and worthwhile. During the first six months 78 new members were received and Sunday Church attendance averaged 312.



Parsonage Dedication At McPherson

On Thursday, July 9, the lovely home pictured above and located at 208 S. Maple, was dedicated at a fitting service.

Mr. C. E. Booz, chairman of the Board of Deacons, gave a house blessing. Mr. George Lehmborg, chairman of the Board of Trustees led in the ritual of dedication. Mr. Lauren Matson sang, "Bless This House."

It was estimated that 180 hours of labor was given by members in preparing the new home for occupancy and in moving the minister's family from 212 S. Maple to the new address. Many gifts helped to furnish and beautify the spacious home.

Living with the Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Bartter at present is their son Robert and his wife Martha with granddaughter, Carol Louise, who was born on July 13. The baby was christened by her grandfather on July 26 when Dr. and Mrs. Lewis Taylor, maternal grandparents of Berkeley, California were guests.

Northland College Citation

Millard Harley Marshall, graduate of Northland College in the class of 1928; Master of Arts from the University of Chicago; Bachelor of Divinity, Chicago Theological Seminary;

ordained in the Christian ministry of the Congregational Christian Churches in 1931; Consecrated, loyal and efficient christian leader in denominational activities, the community, state and nation; wise counselor of young people; keenly aware of the larger program of christianity in the church, in the nation, and throughout the world; loyal and faithful alumnus of his alma mater.

Therefore by authority of Northland College and upon recommendation of the officers of the alumni Association, I have the honor to present to Reverend Millard Harley Marshall the alumni award in honor of his distinguished record as an alumnus of Northland College.

Signer: Earl E. Speicher, Dean
The above citation was presented to Mr. Marshall at the 1953 Commencement exercises.

Smith Center

The Open-Church Plan is being practiced at Smith Center under the guidance of the Rev. Harald Wisegarver, Minister. Located near the business section the church is open daily for any one who cares to have a quiet place for prayers, meditation or relaxation.

The Charles Holbrook Library
 Pacific School of Religion
 1708 Scenic Ave.
 Berkeley 9, Calif.

CHURCH BUILDING LOAN FUND

HONOR ROLL

Eastern Association

K.C. First Pilgrim	\$ 1,350.00	Prairie Village	\$ 1,800.00
K.C. Rosedale	900.00	Sabetha	2,000.00
K.C. Ruby	1,000.00	Stanley	500.00
*K.C. Welborn	250.00	Topeka First	3,000.00
Lawrence Plymouth	3,300.00	Topeka Seabrook	1,400.00
*Leona	50.00	Topeka Seaman	1,200.00
Manhattan	2,000.00	*Wakefield	50.00
*Milford	100.00	Wheaton	200.00
Muscotah	300.00	TOTAL TO Sept. 1, 1953	\$19,400.00

Southern Association

Emporia First	1,700.00	Towanda	500.00
Emporia Sardis	400.00	Whitewater	1,250.00
Independence	450.00	Wichita Fairmaunt	2,000.00
Kiowa	300.00	Wichita Pilgrim	1,200.00
McPherson	2,000.00	Wichita Plymouth	7,500.00
Newton	1,000.00	TOTAL TO Sept. 1, 1953	\$18,300.00

Western Association

Almena	500.00	Kinsley	1,000.00
Athol	175.00	Lenora	700.00
Ellis	800.00	Osborne	1,344.00
Ford	700.00	Pleasant Home	500.00
*Garden City	200.00	Russell	1,200.00
Garfield	200.00	Bazine (German)	250.00
Great Bend	2,000.00	TOTAL TO Sept. 1, 1953	\$ 9,562.00

GRAND TOTAL FOR KANSAS — September 1, 1953 \$47,269.00

* Indicates no declaration received - above amount paid.